



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA TO THE UNITED  
NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, GENEVA**

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UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE**

**KENYA NATIONAL STATEMENT**

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1. Thank you, Chair for giving me the floor.
2. Kenya aligns with the statement delivered by Rwanda on behalf of the African Member States.
3. We thank the Director General for the report and take note of the convening and outcomes from the UN General Assembly High Level meeting on Universal Health Coverage.
4. We also support the decision put forward by Ethiopia on behalf of the Africa group as well as the one proposed by Slovenia and Thailand on social participation.
5. Kenya remains committed to building a strong Primary Health Care system for delivery of Universal Health Coverage through a Health in All Policies approach.
6. The Kenya Primary Health Care Strategic Framework of 2019 provided an impetus for the strengthening of Primary Health Care systems in Kenya. The country costed the PHC strategic Framework and based it on 6 strategic directions:
  - a. Leadership and Governance
  - b. Human Resource for Health
  - c. Service Delivery
  - d. Health Financing
  - e. Commodity supply and infrastructure
  - f. Health information, technology and innovation

7. We wish to acknowledge the immense support received from WHO and our bilateral and other partners in this implementing this Framework and we wish to recommend continued support to countries, based on their national plans and priorities.
8. Kenya takes note of the GPW 14 priorities and urge continued focus on health promotion and addressing the wider determinants of health as part of strengthened Primary health care and achieve UHC.
9. It is therefore crucial for WHO to continue working to equip Ministries of Health with the skills required to make the case for investments beyond the health sector, as well as measuring impact for greater accountability.
10. By investing in UHC, we believe that we are not just safeguarding the health of our citizens, but also bolstering our national, regional and global resilience against future health crises.
11. I thank you.